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SUBJECT: HUMAN RIGHTS: COOPERATION WITH GOCR IN VIII OASGA

REF: STATE 154990

1. CONTENTS REFTTEL DISCUSSED WITH FORMIN CALDERON SUNDAY, JUNE 18. CALDERON HAD BEEN AWARE OF DISSERENCES IN USG AND GOCR APPROACH ON BASIS EARLIER CONSULTATIONS, AND HIS AWARENESS APPARENTLY WAS ENHANCED BY DISCUSSION OF THE COMMISSION ISSUE IN MULTILATERAL FRAMEWORK IN PANAMA JUNE 16 AND 17. HE LISTENED CAREFULLY TO EMBOFF'S READING OF DEPARTMENT'S DRAFT RESOLUTION AND SAID HE THOUGHT IT WOULD BE ACCEPTABLE IF THERE WERE TO BE ONLY ONE IAHRC AFTER THE SAN JOSE PACT IS RATIFIED AND THE NEW COMMISSION TAKES OFFICE.

2. CALDERON SAID THAT GOCR WAS NOT YET PERSUADED THAT ONE COMMISSION, DRAWING AUTHORITY FROM TWO SETS OF STATUTES AND REGULATIONS AND WITH DIFFERENTIATED JURISDICTION OVER MEMBER STATES (DEPENDING ON WHETHER THEY ARE SIGNATORIES OF SAN R SE PACT), COULD FUNCTION AS EFFECTIVELY AS TWO COMMISSIONS, EACH WITH IT SEARATE AUTHORITY AND JURISDICTION. HE SUGGESTED THAT IT WOULD BE USEFUL TO MEET WITH DEPTOFFS EARLY TUESDAY JUNE 20 TO DISCUSS THIS AND OTHER QUESTIONS, ONE OF WHICH IS COSTA RICA'S DESIRE TO BE HOST COUNTRY
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3. EMBASSY AGREED TO REQUEST DEPARTMENT TO CONTACT COSTA RICAN EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON TO ARRANGE SUCH A MEETING.

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